

**JOB PROGRESS REPORT  
COORDINATION PROJECT SEGMENT**

**STATE:** Territory of Guam

**PROJECT NO.:** F-1R-9

**SUB-PROJECT NO.:** F-3

**JOB NO.:** 1

**JOB TITLE:** Technical Assistance to Activities Affecting Guam's Fish Resources (2710, 2720)

**PERIOD COVERED:** October 1, 2000 to September 30, 2001

**OBJECTIVE**

To provide technical information on sport fishing and related issues to the public, the private sector, and local and federal government agencies on the island of Guam, as needed over a one year period, through written comments and attendance at meetings.

**RESULTS**

Numerous development plans, impact statements, and permit applications have been submitted to the Division for review. Members of the Fisheries Section attended approximately 150 meetings and made approximately 100 field inspections during FY/01. Fisheries personnel maintain good working relationships with the Department of Land Management, Department of Parks and Recreation, Guam Bureau of Planning, Guam Environmental Protection Agency, Guam Hotel & Restaurant Association, Guam Visitor's Bureau, University of Guam, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE), U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Western Pacific Regional Fisheries Management Council, National Marine Fisheries Service, U.S. Navy, U.S. Coast Guard, and U.S. Air Force regarding matters of environmental concern.

Various Fisheries staff actively serve as members of the following groups: Recreational Water Use Master Plan, Western Pacific Regional Pelagic Plan Monitoring Team, Western Pacific Regional Bottomfish Plan Monitoring Team, Western Pacific Regional Coral Reef Plan Monitoring Team, Federal Data Coordinating Committee, Guam Coral Reef Initiative, Technical Support, National Coral Reef Initiative Ecological Task Force, Guam Water Planning Committee, and the Aquaculture Task Force.

The Fisheries Section also provided the following technical assistance in FY/01:

1. Technical support to the Division's Agricultural Development Services (ADS) which represents the Department and the Division on the Advisory Review Committee (ARC), at bi-weekly meetings to review applications for rezoning, variances, and various types of development.

2. Information to the Western Pacific Regional Fisheries Management Council (WESPAC) and the Plan Monitoring Team (PMT) on projects for bottomfish, pelagic fisheries and coral reefs. Staff attended 4 off-island, Council-related meetings.
3. Comments on seven proposed bills that would affect fisheries.
4. Responses to over 200 requests for information on laws and regulations pertaining to fish, endangered species, fishing and importation of fish.
5. Forty-four presentations on fish resources and marine conservation to schools and organizations during the year.
6. Statistical data on fisheries issues to the Bureau of Planning and Department of Commerce on a quarterly basis.

**PROJECT COST:** \$89,250

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